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MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF CHARITABLE GAMING
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, May 25, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:	June 22, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Janet Williams-Coger, Non-Profit Member, Chair
Scott Angelucci, Public Member, Vice-Chair(10:02 a.m. – 10:58 a.m.)
Francis Gant, Delaware Firefighters Association Member
Richard MacDonald, State Lottery Office Member
Jay Mervine, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Jean Betley, License Investigator III
Meredith Hurley, Administrative Specialist II
Ted Kimmey, Gaming Inspector
Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General
Megan Miller, License Investigator II
Eric Rauch, Gaming Inspector

PUBLIC PRESENT

Debby Messina
Bonnie Howell
Bruce Howell
Dave Heffline
John Viola
Jim LaFlord
William Healy
Calvin Pettitt
Bessie Staab Hickman
Edwin Bergen
Tom Gillespie
Russ Carney

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Williams-Coger called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

PUBLIC RULES AND REGULATIONS HEARING

The public hearing was called to order at 10:00 a.m. Verbatim testimony was recorded electronically. Mr. Maloney stated the purpose of the hearing. The following items were marked as Board Exhibits for the record: Board Exhibit 1 – News Journal publication affidavit and Board Exhibit 2 – Delaware State News publication affidavit. The Board introduced themselves for the record. Ms. Williams-Coger opened the floor for public comments. There were no public comments. The Board will deliberate on all public comments during the June 22, 2016 meeting. The Board went off the record at 10:02 a.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes - April 27, 2016

Mr. Gant made a motion, seconded by Mr. MacDonald, to approve the April 27, 2016 meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratification of Bingo Event Permits Issued

Mr. Gant made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mervine, to ratify the following bingo permit events listed below. The motion carried unanimously.

Bowers Fire Company
Christiana Fire Company
Frederica Volunteer Fire Company
Indian River Senior Center
Milford Elks Lodge #2401
Dover Elks Lodge #1903
Seaford Elks Lodge #2458
Mill Creek Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary
Cape Henlopen Senior Center

Ratification of Charitable Gaming Event Permits Issued

Mr. MacDonald made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gant, to ratify the charitable gaming event permits listed below. The motion carried unanimously.

St. John the Beloved
Knights of Columbus – Seton Council 7990

Review of Application(s) for Charitable Gaming Event(s)

Mr. MacDonald made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gant, to approve the charitable gaming events listed below. The motion carried unanimously.

AmVets Post 2
Ladies of the Elks Dover Lodge #1903

Mr. MacDonald made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gant, to approve the charitable gaming event for Mason Dixon VFW Post 7234. The motion carried with Mr. Mervine recusing.

Review of Applications for Raffle

Mr. Angelucci made a motion, seconded by Mr. MacDonald, to approve the raffle events listed below. The motion carried unanimously.

Roxana Volunteer Fire Company
NUR Shrine
Delaware City Fire Co. No. 1

Review of Application for Bingo

Mr. Gant made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mervine, to approve the bingo events listed below. The motion carried unanimously.

Edgemoor Community Center
Middletown HS Band Boosters

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

Ms. Messina presented copies of SB 254 and stated it was out of committee and now in the Senate. This legislation changes the name of “instant bingo” to “instant” or “pull-tab” game.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. LaFlord asked if the new regulation changes will cover the game “queen of hearts.” This game is not necessarily an instant game due to the nature of the game play. There is a board with sealed cards from a deck of cards. Players are buying a chance to pick a sealed card from the board to see if they win the jackpot. This game can continue for weeks if the desired card is not picked. The purchase of the chances is what establishes the amount in the jackpot. Mr. Rauch introduced himself and discussed New York and Kentucky’s rules involving “queen of hearts.” He also explained the different instant games that are normally observed when he is out in the field doing his inspections.

Mr. MacDonald explained again that games need to follow the laws and regulations and cannot be played if they cannot fit into the description of game play.

Ms. Messina from Dover Elks Lodge, Mr. LaFlord from Moose 2316 and Dave Heffline from AmVets Post 2 agreed to supply a game board for the “queen of hearts” to show the Board how the game is played within their organizations.

A late attendee asked about the public hearing and the number of event dates per month. Mr. Maloney stated that the public hearing was at the start of the meeting and he may have missed it. He explained that next month will be the deliberations and best case scenario the changes could make the August Register and become effective around August 11, 2016.

Ms. Staab Hickman asked about the application to cover the extra event dates for charitable gaming and how much that would cost. The fee would be \$15 per event date. She asked if the application could be used to cover an entire year or at least 3 months’ worth of permits like they can do with bingo events. The answer would lie in a rework of the applications and would fall under the Division to accomplish this.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Board meeting is Wednesday, June 22, 2016 at 10:00 a.m., Conference Room B, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Cannon Building, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Mr. MacDonald made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mervine, to adjourn the meeting at 10:58 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Meredith Hurley". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Meredith Hurley
Administrative Specialist II